Restrictions on the rearing of pigs in Tiruchirappalli Municipality.

* 2248 *Q.*—SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received a memorandum, dated 26th February 1955, from the Tiruchirappalli Panri, Kozhi Valarppor Maha Jana Sangam regarding the restrictions imposed by the Tiruchirappalli Municipality on the rearing of pigs within the municipal limits; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir.

" (*b*) The Government carefully considered the representation and did not see any reason to interfere in the matter."

SRI M. R. RAMACHANDRAN :—" Will the Government at least direct the municipality to improve the pigs so that they may be given better feeding and therefore look more tolerable? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" To improve the pigs, in what way? "

Salaries of village officers.

* 2249 *Q.*—SRI N. RAMAKRISHNA AYYAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of village officers who supplement their emoluments by subsidiary occupation;

(*b*) whether the Government have any proposal to grant interim increments in the salaries of village officers pending Land Reforms; and

(*c*) whether the Government contemplate creating a category of paid full-time village officers?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :—" (*a*) As village officers are part-time Government servants and are free to take up other remunerative work in addition to their regular duties with the permission of the superior officers, it is likely that the number of village officers who are supplementing their emoluments by subsidiary occupation is large. The Government therefore consider that the time and labour involved in the collection of the information required (by the Member) will not be commensurate with the benefit which will be derived thereby.

" (*b*) No such proposals are under the consideration of the Government.

" (*c*) One of the recommendations of the Land Revenue Reforms Committee is that the present system of village officers may be replaced by the appointment of lower division clerks and upper division clerks to be in charge of a